each public agency shall provide for an audit of its PFC account. The audit shall be performed by an accredited independent public accountant and may be of limited scope. The accountant shall express an opinion of the fairness and reasonableness of the public agency's procedures for receiving, holding, and using PFC revenue. The accountant shall also express an opinion on whether the quarterly report required under \$158.63 fairly represents the net transactions within the PFC account. The audit may be—

- (1) Performed specifically for the PFC account; or
- (2) Conducted as part of an audit under the Single Agency Audit Act of 1983 (31 U.S.C. 7501-7) provided that the PFC is specifically addressed by the auditor.
- (3) Upon request, a copy of the audit shall be provided to each collecting carrier that remitted PFC revenue to the public agency in the period covered by the audit and to the Administrator.

#### §158.69 Recordkeeping and auditing: Collecting carriers.

- (a) Collecting carriers shall establish and maintain for each public agency for which they collect a PFC an accounting record of PFC revenue collected, remitted, refunded and compensation retained under §158.53(a) of this part. The accounting record shall identify the airport at which the passengers were enplaned.
- (b) Each collecting carrier that collects more than 50,000 PFC's annually shall provide for an audit at least annually of its PFC account.
- (1) The audit shall be performed by an accredited independent public accountant and may be of limited scope. The accountant shall express an opinion on the fairness and reasonableness of the carrier's procedures for collecting, holding, and dispersing PFC revenue. The opinion shall also address whether the quarterly reports required under §158.65 fairly represent the net transactions in the PFC account.
- (2) For the purposes of an audit under this section, collection is defined as the point when agents or other intermediaries remit PFC revenue to the carrier.

(3) Upon request, a copy of the audit shall be provided to each public agency for which a PFC is collected.

#### §158.71 Federal oversight.

- (a) The Administrator may periodically audit and/or review the use of PFC revenue by a public agency. The purpose of the audit or review is to ensure that the public agency is in compliance with the requirements of this part and section 1113(e) of the Federal Aviation Act.
- (b) The Administrator may periodically audit and/or review the collection and remittance by the collecting carriers of PFC revenue. The purpose of the audit or review is to ensure collecting carriers are in compliance with the requirements of this part and section 1113(e) of the Federal Aviation Act.
- (c) Public agencies and carriers shall allow any authorized representative of the Administrator, the Secretary of Transportation, or the Comptroller General of the U.S., access to any of its books, documents, papers, and records pertinent to PFC's

### **Subpart E—Termination**

# §158.81 General.

This subpart contains the procedures for termination of PFC's or loss of Federal airport grant funds for violations of this part or section 1113(e) of the Federal Aviation Act. This subpart does not address the circumstances under which authority to collect PFC's may be terminated for violations of the Airport Noise and Capacity Act of 1990.

## §158.83 Informal resolution.

The Administrator shall undertake informal resolution with the public agency or any other affected party if, after review under §158.71, the Administrator cannot determine that PFC revenue is being used for the approved projects in accordance with the terms of the Administrator's approval to impose a PFC for those projects or with section 1113(e) of the Federal Aviation Act.